

REMARKS

In the present Amendment, Claims 5-7 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added, and entry of the Amendment to place the present application in condition for allowance is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the Amendment, Claims 1-4 and 8-11 will be pending.

Claims 5-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Goto et al. (US 2002/0188097, "Goto").

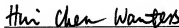
Without admitting that this rejection is proper, Applicants have cancelled Claims 5-7, rendering this rejection moot.

Applicants note with appreciation that Claims 1-4 and 8-11 are allowed.

Allowance is respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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